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Applicant: Kie Y. Ahn et al.

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AND AIR GAPS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 25, 2004, Applicant elects, without traverse, Species I, which includes claims 1- 11. Applicant further asserts that claims at least claims 1, 7, 8, 11 are generic to Species I and II. Allowance of any of claims 1, 7, 8, or 11 should result in consideration of Species II.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's Representatives at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

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